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SUBJECT: QUESTIONING OF LIBYAN STUDENTS IN U.S.

REF: STATE 162459 AND TRIPOLI 772

1. WHEN GOING BACK TO GADAMSI, WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO TELL HIM MORE ABOUT FBI QUESTIONING OF LIBYAN STUDENTS THAN REFTEL PROVIDES. DOES FBI HAVE ANY INFORMATION IMPLICATING LIBYAN STUDENTS IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES, OR SUGGESTING THEY MIGHT BE AWARE OF SUCH ACTIVITIES, IF SO, WE BELEIVE WE SHOULD TELL GADAMSI THIS, WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILS WHICH MIGHT COMPROMISE AN INVESTIGATION. IN THIS EVENT LARG OFFICIALS WILL UNDERSTAND WHY LIBYAN STUDENTS ARE BEING QUESTIONED, AND THEIR COMPLAINTS WILL HAVE HOLLOW RING.

2. GADAMSI IS DISTURBED BY APPARENT FREQUENCY OF INTERROGATIONS IN RECENT WEEKS (ANOTHER INSTANCE HAS NOW BEEN REPORTED TO HIM), AND WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO INDICATE TO HIM WHETHER PRESENT RATE OF QUESTIONING CAN BE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE.

3. IF ONLY BASIS FOR FBI INTERROGATIONS IS YEAR-OLD PUBLIC SPEECH BY QADHAFI, WE SUGGEST QUESTIONING OUGHT TO BE STOPPED. BASIS FOR CONCERN, AS DEPT AWARE, IS IMPORTANCE OF STUDENT PROGRAM AND OUR FEELING THAT QADHAFI AND HIS COLLEAGUES MIGHT MAKE SUCH INCIDENTS
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